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WILL MR. SHAFFER BUY IT?

Rumor that He Has an Option on the Citizens' Company for a Syndicate.

He Indicates Some Kind of a Change Soon-Central-Avenue Controversy-Sprinkling Bids-Light Contract Not Yet Accepted.

The franchise granted the Indianapolis and Broad Ripple Rapid-transit Company by the Board of Public Works has been signed by President Belknap for the company and by the board and will be presented to the Council to-morrow evening for approval. This company is likely to be bothered considerably before it gets the road built. When the city first granted it a franchise it was over Central avenue to Fifteenth street, as that was then the city limits. When the Board of County Commissioners a few weeks ago granted a right of way over Central avenue to the Broad Ripple company it began at Seventeenth street as that was then the city limits. This left a strip of two squares over which the Ripple company had no right of way on Central avenue. The Citizens' Street-rail-road Company at once gobbled this up, working at night, and in a day or so had laid double tracks over the full two squares. About that time the Board of Public Works agreed to extend the right of way of the kipple company on Central avenue north to Seventeenth street, and a clause to that effect was inserted in the clause to that effect was inserted in the contract.

All the attorneys of the Broad Ripple company say that the fact that tracks are already laid on Central avenue will not deter the company from crossing over to Central avenue on Fifteenth street. They claim that there is a city ordinance in force which requires the Citizens' company to file a plat and give notice in writing before it occupies any street, which has not in this case been done. President Conduitt was asked about this phase of the question. Said he: "The Civizens' company conceded to the Board of Public Works some time ago that it was incumbent upon it to file a plat before occupying a street. Now that the tracks are down, however, I do not know whether the city would have the power to order them taken up or not. The Broad Ripple company can run its cars

part of the entertainment will be followed by a paper by Miss Julia Harrison Moore on "William Morris," the associate of the artists whose pictures will be shown (Burne-Jones, Holman Hunt, Rosetti and Watts.) The Art Association is over the Citizens' company's tracks though under the provisions of the suburban street-

Attorney Spence also said there was an ordinance which required the Citizens' company to file a plat before laying tracks on any street in the city. 'I see it is claimed," said Mr. Spencer, referring to a published statement, "that the Broad Ripple contract will be 'held up' in the Council for an indefinite length of time. If it is not approved to-morrow night, before the next regular meeting shall have occured the time for filing the bond with the County Commissioners will have elapsed. We might get the commissioners to extend the time, but it would tend to shake their confidence in the good faith of our intentions."

Attorney Spencer did not care to say what steps the Broad Ripple company would take to lay tracks or occupy Central avenue between Fifteenth and Seventeenth streets until he knew what action the Council would take on the contract. It is numerously rumored these days that Mr. J. C. Shafter, the ex-president of the Citizens' company, has an option on the plant and is organizing a company to make the purchase. Mr. Shaffer will neither confirm nor deny the report, but says it proba-bly emanates from Judge E. B. Martindale, "who has repeatedly tried to influence me into organizing a company to buy the property." If there is any truth in the rumor the chances are ten to one that that is the reason Mr. Belknap, the New York millionaire who is interested with Mr. Shaffer in his Asbury Park venture, is now connected with the Broad Ripple company. Since his return from Chicago the last time Mr. Shafier talks very confidently. He says:

The cars will continue to run, and the men will continue to work, and if the people will wait, this matter will find a happy ending with-

This was in answer to a question as to whether or not any change in the management of the road is contemplated. It cannot be denied that Mr. Shaffer has the ability and business sagacity to organize a company, and it is conceded by many that he knows more about the practical operation of street railroads than some people.
Mr. Belknap is reported to have plenty of
money and doubtless could easily get together in a venture a number of other capitalists who would be willing to invest in the Citizens' street railroad. Mr. Shaffer, when he spoke as above quoted, was cer-tainly not "talking through his hat." It has been suggested once or twice that if the Broad Ripple company should buy out, or consolidate with the Citizens' company, and organize under the name of the Indianapolis & Broad Ripple Rapid-transit Company, that it would have a twenty-year franchise over all the streets now occupied by both companies, and a perpetual franchise on streets north of the city. President Conduitt was asked about this yesterday afternoon, He said that the city could not be cheated in any such way; that the present Broad Ripple franchise that the present Broad Ripple franchise named a certain number of streets, and if the company at any time hereafter secures a right of way on other streets in the city, that it will have to be through the medium of an additional contract.

Broad Ripple company because he has a desire to again get control of the Citizens' "Things shape themselves around in funny ways," said he. "When the last Legislature was in session, Mr. Shaiter fought the suburban street-railway bill and Mr. Frenzel worked for it. Now Mr. Shafter is in with the Broad Ripple company, which he was fighting, and Frenzel is at the head of the Citizens' company,

VARIOUS ENTERTAINMENTS.

which he was lobbying against."

Lecture at Plymouth by Dr. Lyman Abbott,

Beecher's Successor, Dr. Lyman Abbott's lecture, at Plymouth Church, next Tuesday evening, will be one of the events of the lenten season. He takes for his subject, "Under Which Creed." That indicates a theme of vital | here interest to every reasoning person. There are those who discard all creeds: they will he interested to hear so learned a man as Dr. Abbott discourse on such a subject. All who believe in a creed will be very greatly interested to know if they are holding to the right one in the opinion of Brooklyn's great pastor. Every one must admit that there was a wide chasm between the editorial chair of the Christian Union and the pulpit of Plymouth Church, and he must be at least a courageous man who would attempt to fill the place left vacant by the death of Mr. Beecher, who was admitted to be the greatest pulpit orator of his time. One evidence as to Dr. Abbott's ability to fully bridge that chasm is the fact that pews in Plymouth Church are in demand and premiums are received for them almost as great as when Mr. Beecher was in the height of his fame and popularity. If Dr. Abbott is held in such high esteem by his own church he surely should have the pleasure of facing a large and representative audience in our Plymouth Church next Tuesday evening.

Lectures on Cooking.

Appetizing odors pervaded the Proyleum yesterday morning, and penetrated, even, the assembly hail. There was something on hand beside cakes and pies. The menu, as Miss Clark prepared it, was tish-balls, shredded, and beaten, and made creamy and fine. After it had cooled a little a beaten egg was mixed in, and it was ready to be made into balls. Creamed oysters in Dresden patties-the creamed oysters were dispatched and the patties prepared. The latter are thus mode: Take a slice of bread an inch or an inch and a half thick; cut out a piece as large around as a cup with a tin cutter, then cut a smaller circle exactly in the center, but not clear through; scoop out this center, and it leaves a shallow cut. This is slightly buttered, put in the oven and slightly toosted. The creamed oysters are placed in the cup, and are ready to serve. . The hash was made most tempting, and after b ing cooked and mixed, the meat and potato was packed tightly into a mold and set in the oven to bake. Of all the delicious, delicate mersels prepared, Miss Clark's omelet may be said to take a leading place. One good the said to take a leading place. One good chaser's best interests to deal with the bless was the preparation of cutlets. Miss Clark above-named firm.

has the cutlet sent from the butcher's without being freuched, and then she cuts the tough fat parts away and saves it for a Scotch broth. As these are usually sent home, they are minus this part. It is weighed and paid for by the customer, and the butcher cuts it off and sells or renders it. After these cutlets were cooked, they were served in dainty tissue papillotes. Sally Lunn was made and served with the luncheou or breakfast, and the whole bill of fare was not only enjoyed in preparation, but until it was not only enjoyed in preparation, but until it entirely disappeared from the scene. The committee in charge of the cooking classes has decided to have a "candy day." Miss Clark will make candy next Saturday afternoon, at 3

Letter-Carriers' Concert.

Miss Theodora Pfafilin will make her final appearance before an Indianapolis audience, before her departure for Europe to complete her musical education, at the letter-carriers' concert next Wednesday evening, at Tomlinson Hall. Miss Pfafflin was born at Evansville, Ind., Feb. 10, 1871, and removed to Indianapolis, where she early manifested a decided musical ability.
Her parents recognizing the fact that she was
gifted with a remarkable voice, placed her in
the hands of the best teachers. When she was
seventeen years old she removed with her parents to Chicago, where she was placed in charge of the celebrated voice trainer, Signor Jannotta, who declared that she had a voice that would some day become famous, and well has she verified that prediction. At the concert given in her honor at Central Music Hall in Chicago, by Signor Jaunotta, before a large audience, she was enthusiastically greated and it was avident that the assembly greeted, and it was evident that the assembly was confident of her success. Miss Pfafflin has fulfilled the promise evidenced upon her appear-ance as a pupil. She is an artist, her execution is even, rapid and true, and her voice is one of fine quality. At her debut in Chickering Hall in New York her success was as fully pronounced as in Chicogo. Mr. N. M. Wills, character deline ator, will also appear at this concert for the first time in Indianapolis. Mr. Wills has been a close observer of the provincialisms and ludicrous pe-culiarities of individuals throughout the many States in which he has traveled. He is of keen perception and an adept at imitating. The ob-ject of the concert is to raise funds to entertain the national convention of letter-carriers next Art Association.

Mrs. John L. Griffiths and Mr. J. M. Bowles have charge of the next meeting of the Art Association, which will occur Tuesday evening, the 8th, at the Propylaum. The meeting will be of unusual interest, as the committee has secured a large number of pictures of the modern English school of mystics, which will be shown by the stereopticon. Their coloring, composition and other qualities will be described by Mr. Griffiths in notes prepared by Mr. Bowles. This making every effort to stimulate an art spirit in Indianapolis and do what it can, with the aid of the citizens, to increase the educational advantages for its study in the city.

Song Service. There will be a service of song at Roberts Park Church this evening under the direction of Miss Ida Sweenie. The choir will be assisted by Mrs. S. L. Morrison, Mr. W. H. Daggett, Mr. John L. Geiger and Mr. George Fitzgibbon. The follow-

Organ selection, Mrs. Jennie Case; "Blessed Be the Lord," Earl of Mar, choir; quartet, "Benedic, Anima Mea," Lloyd, Miss Ida Sweenie, Mrs. S. L. Morrison, Mr. W. H. Daggett, Mr. John Geiger; solo, "Nothing to Pay," H. P. Danks, Mr. W. H. Daggett; remarks, Dr. Van Anda; quintet, "Seek Ye the Lord," Dr. J. V. Roberts, Miss Ida Sweenie, Mrs. S. L. Morrison, Mr. W. H. Daggett, Mr. John Geiger; tenor solo, Mr. George Fitzgibbon; "Great Is the Lord," Haydn, choir.

Knights of Honor Entertainment. Next Tuesday evening the Excelsior Specialty Company will give one of their unique and pleasing minstrel programmes for Washington Lodge, No. 114, at their hall, in Baldwin Block. The following will appear: The Symphony Mandolin Club, X. L. C. R. Quartet, J. Fremont Frey, Scudder and Moore, Bert Worthington, Ed Igle-man, St. Clair and Arthur, Herman Frey, James E. Twyman and the Zouave Trio, Wilhams, Jones and Wickersham.

Fred Emerson Brooks, Fred Emerson Brooks closes the Y. M. C. A. lecture and entertainment course next Tuesday evening. Mr. Brooks is called the California poet-humorist, and is as ipopular where known as is our own James Whitcomb Riley in Hoosier-dom. Mr. Brooks reads entirely from his own poems. The lecture committee expect his en-gagement both from a literary and popular stand-point to be one of the very best they have ever presented. Seats may be reserved this

Benefit Concert.

The friends of Prof. George M. Hebble, the blind planist and teacher of music, will tender him a benefit concert at Masonic Hall on next Thursday evening. Among those who will assist are Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith, Mrs. Leon Bailey, Miss Emma Purcell, Miss Mattie Lowes, Miss Grace McCormick, Misses Anna and Kate Merl, Messrs. M. H. Spades, Henry C. Ballard, Ed Rink, John Merl and J. Fremont Frey.

Delsartean "Art" Again. Arrangements have been made by the directors of the Propylæum for a return of Mr. Edmund C. Russell, who recently lectured here on "Personal Expression, Dress and House Decoration."
These lectures will be given the evenings of
March 15, 16, 17 and 18, and will be on "English
Art," "The Subject in Art," "Decorative Art,"
and the last will be a costume recital.

Judge Fallows's Lecture. Judge E. F. Fallows will deliver the seventh lecture in the course at St. George's Church on "Single Tax," March 10. The Judge is a good speaker, and understands the matter thoroughly. Everyone knows the important place this is going to take in politics in the future, therefore as many as possible should hear the Judge.

Dunlap's Celebrated Hats. Spring styles of Dunlap's hats, the best President Conduitt is of the opinion that hats made, at "Seaton's Hat Store," 27 Mr. Shaffer has interested himself in the North Pennsylvania street.

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Fourteen Years of Successful Business-Emil Wulschner Takes a Partner.

After a phenomenally prosperous mercantile career of fourteen years, Emil Wulschner, the well-known music-dealer, has taken into partnership his step-son, Alexander M. Stewart, who has been actively associated with him in the business for the last ten years, and the firm name will hereafter be known as "Emil Wulschner &

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Probably the most complimentary ac-knowledgement of Mr. Wulschner's mercantile standing was paid him when three | clothes, and does its work years ago the great English house of Boosey on time. & Co., London, England, took their celebrated band instruments from an Eastern dealer and made Mr. Wulschner their sole representative for the United States and Canada. Eastern houses were astonished at this move, but Mr. Wulschner has amply demonstrated that Indianapolis can con-troi even larger territory than heretofore thought possissible only to Eastern cities. He also constantly imports all goods, not manufactured in the United States, direct from England and the continent of Europe, There is scarcely a county in the United States where band and other musical in-struments stamped with the firm's name are not used and favorably known. Over 1,400 pianos and organs have been retailed in Indianapolis alone. His line of these

JUDGE BROWN EXPLAINS IT

Long Statement About the Bennett Receivership Given in Open Court.

Loose Methods in the Sheriff's Office-Damage Suit from the Crawfordsville Railroad Wreck.

Judge Brown, of the Circuit Court, yesterday dismissed John Hoffman and Charles P. Conard, deputy sheriffs, who, he decided, had purged themselves of contempt of court in the matter of the Bennett receivership. The court made a lengthy statement in detail of the course of events in the receivership which led to the clash between his court and that of Judge Harper. The controversy, Judge Brown said, is one involving the right of the court to enforce its own orders, and it is, therefore, not to be lightly considered. The successive steps in the litigation were then recited, leading up to the point where Deputy Sheriff Conard received an order from Judge Harper, out of the court-room and directly conflicting with that given by Judge Brown. In regard to this the latter said:

It appears from the answer of Deputy Sheriff Conard that the judge of Superior Court, Room 2, while off the bench and at the door of the sheriff's office, instructed him to hold Mr. Myers in the sheriff's office till habeas corpus proceedings could be served upon the sheriff, and not to take Mr. Myers to jail. Of course Mr. Conard technically ought to have known that the order given as he sets it out in his return was not the order of the court but the individual order of the order of the court but the individual order of the person who was judge of said Superior Court, Room 2. He ought to have considered that his only duty was to obey the commitment from this court, but this court must concede for Mr. Conard that he was justified in believing no court would make an order it had not a right to make, and it was not unnatural for him to think the ural for him to think the order came from the court, while, as his return shows, it was the individual order of the judge of said court, and in fact, it was no order of court. The judge of Superior Court, Room 2, issued the habeas corpus proceedings, let the prisoner out on his own recognizance for a week, and then discharged him without hearing any evidence, making the statement that the court knew all the facts and that the Circuit Court had no jurisdiction. This court expected some third judge would be called in to settle this question but he would be called in to settle this question, but he

Judge Brown scored the loose workings in the sheriff's office, and announced that he would hereafter see that all the orders of his court were implicitly obeyed, or the penalties would be of no trivial character.

Echo of the Crawfordsville Wreck. Solomon Tennenbaum, administrator of the estate of Benjamin Hainburger, yesterday brought suit in the Superior Court against the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago Railroad Company for damages for the death of the deceased in the sum of \$10,000. The complaint recites the Crawfordsville disaster, Jan. 11, 1892, in which the deceased was killed. It is alleged that the road was carelessly and negligently constructed and out of repair in that the read-bed had sunk so that it was not sufficient to support the ties and tracks. It is also alleged the ties were rotten. The rails used were weak and light and the rail at the point of the accident was old, cracked and worthless. The engine was large and heavy, baying ten wheels and was running at a great having ten wheels, and was running at a great speed. The weight at such a speed broke the rail in twenty pieces. The complaint is accom-panied by twenty-four interrogatories, which the defendant is asked to be required to answer.

Strange Case of Horse Theft. Clen Connett was arrested yesterday by detectives Thornton and James, and was charged with grand larceny. He was employed on the farm of Frank Harding, in Wayne township, and rode one of the farm-horses to this city. He left it at a West Washington-street stable, teiling the proprietor the horse was good for its feed. He then went back to the farm to his work as a wood-cutter. His act is a strange one, and the officers do not expect very strongly to make the charge good.

Criminal Pleas. O. R. Simons yesterday pleaded guilty in the Criminal Court to stealing two bottles of champague and three bottles of cordial. The case was taken under advisement. Judge Cox released Edward McAfee, who pleaded guilty to stealing a hat, on a suspended judgment. The defendant

Fighting is Cheap. Benjamin A. Maurer, a saloon-keeper, was fined \$2 and costs yesterday by Justice Smock for assault and battery upon Wesley M. Bieler, on a plea of guilty. Bieler had been in Maurer's

Given a Divorce. John W. Davis was yesterday granted a divorce from Nettie G. Davis, by Judge Taylor. The ground of action was abandonment.

Engine and Thresher Men. The engine and thresher men of the city met at the Agricultural rooms in the State-house, yesterday, and appointed W. S. McMillin to meet with the implement and vehicle men at their meeting next Saturday and arrange with them for the assignment of space on the new fair grounds. Two places are proposed, one at the north end of the track, and the other on the east side, opposite the amphitheater. If the latter plan is adopted a balcony will be placed on the exhibit hall of the indoor machinery, and the track can be seen from this point as well as from the grand-stand.

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